



# Situation Assessment and Process Recommendations

## UGRB Air Quality Citizens Advisory Task Force

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# [ Purpose of Assessment ]

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- Assess priorities and expectations of potential participants
- Gather information needs
- Determine interviewees' willingness to serve on task force

# [ Findings ]

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- Air Quality Issues:
  - Ozone levels
  - Public health
  - Environmental Health
  - Economic reliance on gas development

# [ Findings ]

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- Solutions to Air Quality Issues
  - Highly varied
  - Ranged from reduce energy development to modify individuals' behaviors
  - More scientific research necessary

# [ Findings ]

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- Barriers to Air Quality Solutions
  - Economic dependence of community on gas development
  - Lack of scientific understanding
  - Distrust among constituencies

# [ Findings ]

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- Barriers to Collaboration
  - Economic dependence of community on gas development
  - Staunch position-taking
  - Distrust among constituencies
  - Governance barriers

# [ Findings ]

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- How Barriers to Collaboration can be Overcome
  - Dialogue
  - Public education and outreach
  - Continued research
  - Relationship building

# [ Desired Outcomes ]

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- Lowered emissions
- Better informed public
- Creation of shared goals
- Stakeholder cohesion
- Implementation of better technology
- Implementation of citizen recommendations

# [ Recommendations ]

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- Engage in Joint Fact Finding
- Formulate a Problem-Solving Process
- Improve Communication and Trust
- Generate Creative Ideas
- Communicate with Constituents